# Notice of Draft Renewal of the Section 1915(c) Acquired Brain Disorder (ABD) Waiver

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Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. §441.301(c)(6)(iii) notice is hereby given that the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, as the single state Medicaid agency, intends to submit a renewal of its Section 1915(c) Acquired Brain Disorder (ABD) Waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

This renewal is primarily a continuation of the currently approved Acquired Brain Disorder (ABD) Waiver and reflects:

- Compliance with CMS regulations governing Home and Community Based Care Services published in January 2014
- An overview of Rate Setting Methodology
- Modifications to Quality Measures and Reporting to comply with CMS Expectations published in March 2014

This notice contains a link to the draft 1915(c) waiver renewal document, as well as dates, times, and locations of opportunities for public input related to this renewal. To learn more about 1915(c) waivers, please visit the CMS website at <a href="https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid-chip-program-information/by-topics/waivers/home-and-community-based-1915-c-waivers.html">https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid-chip-program-information/by-topics/waivers/home-and-community-based-1915-c-waivers.html</a>

## **Opportunity for Public Input**

The public is invited to review and comment on this draft waiver renewal.

The complete version of the current draft waiver renewal document is available for public review at http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/index.htm

The draft waiver renewal document may also be viewed from 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM Monday through Friday at: Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Developmental Services, 105 Pleasant Street, Main Building, Concord, NH 03301-3857.

Public comments period has been extended and may be submitted until midnight on Tuesday, July 12, 2016. Comments may be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:BDSQualityCouncil@dhhs.nh.gov">BDSQualityCouncil@dhhs.nh.gov</a> or by United States Postal Service to Maureen DiTomaso, NH Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Developmental Services, 105 Pleasant Street, Main Building, Concord, NH 03301-3857. To view comments that others have submitted, please visit <a href="http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/index.htm">http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dcbcs/bds/index.htm</a>

The State will host one additional public hearing during the extended public comment period. You may attend in person, by phone or by Zoom video conference. The dates, times and locations of these public hearings are listed below:

#### Monday, June 13, 2016

9:00-11:00 AM Brown Auditorium New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services 129 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301

To register to attend this public hearing in person, phone or Zoom video conference, please register at: https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event\_id=21212

### Thursday, June 23, 2016

5:30-7:30 PM Brown Auditorium New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services 129 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301

To register to attend this public hearing in person, phone or Zoom video conference, please register at: <a href="https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event">https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event</a> id=21213

### Friday, July 8, 2016

1:30PM-3:30PM
Brown Auditorium
New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services
129 Pleasant Street,
Concord, NH 03301

To register to attend this public hearing in person, phone or Zoom video conference, please register at: https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event\_id=21439

For more information about the public hearings, please email: Mary.Straight@unh.edu